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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director(Plans)

SUBJECT: Review of Clandestine Services Programs
and Projects

1. The report of the Inspector General on his survey of the Office of Communications contained the following recommendation:

"The DD/S and DD/P be directed to review all Clandestine Services programs and projects requiring communications support and terminate those of questionable value to conserve O/C capability wherever possible."

This recommendation was directed along with several others on which separate action has been initiated, toward the reduction of the work load on the Office of Communications, at least until the present personnel pressures have been relieved. The report contains these further significant statements:

"Based on the detailed review made of the total communications "balance-sheet" during this survey, it is an unfortunate but obvious fact that the total capabilities of the Office of Communications are now seriously over-extended and if corrective action is not taken, this imbalance will result in a deterioration of operating efficiency and the present excellent level of morale of O/C personnel. This Agency cannot afford any deterioration of its staff communications system in the interest of its long-range mission to say nothing of its support commitments [REDACTED]

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2. I would appreciate your views as to the manner in which the recommended review could be carried out.

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